[*English*]

**Increased Outlay for Khadi and Village Industry**

1352. SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have increased the outlay for the Khadi and Village Industry for 1992-93;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if no the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (c). The Plan Outlay for Khadi and Village Industry Sector during the last year was Rs. 191.00 crores and the same amount has been provided for 1992-93 also. The outlay could not be increased because of severe resource constrains.

**Fire in Jharia Coalfields**

1353. SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH:
SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY:
SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:
SHRI SIMON MARANDI:
SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether several international agencies have expressed their willingness to put out the 100 year old underground fires in the Jharia Coalfields of Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have since taken any decision to hand over the task of underground fires to foreign companies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S.B. NAYAMA GOUDA): (a) to (d). After nationalisation of the coal mines, concerted efforts have been made through implementation of various schemes for dealing with some of the major fires in Jharia coalfield. As a result of these efforts, five fires have been successfully extinguished and the work of dealing with fires is in progress at 16 more sites. The size of the problem being very large, the Government have been exploring the possibilities of obtaining Finacial as well as technical assistance from the foreign countries to deal with these fires. One projects for dealing with coalfield fires has been posed for UNDP assistance. In Addition, some private overseas agencies/companies have also expressed interest in participating in dealing with the problem of fires in Jharia coalfield. However, no decision has so far been taken by the Government to entrust the work of dealing with Jharia fires to any foreign company.

[*Translation*]

**Super Cement Plant in Bundi, Rajasthan**

1354. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government had given approval to the Cement Corporation of India for setting up a super cement plant in Bundi (Rajasthan) in the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which this plant is likley to be set up; and

(d) the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) to (c). No, Sir.

(d) A reference was received by the Ministry in May, 90 from the Industries Department of Rajasthan Govt. suggesting investment in setting up of super cement plant by CCI at Bundi, Rajasthan. The matter was examined in consultation with CCI. After considering availability of reserves of limestone at Bundi and other basic raw materials required for the project, it was felt that it would not be worthwhile and economical for making large investments by CCI for setting up of a super cement plant. The Govt. of Rajasthan was accordingly informed.

[*English*]

**Amendment of Industrial Disputes Act**

1355. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA:
SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL:
SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Monetary Fund has given any suggestion to simplify the labour laws;

(b) if so, the details thereof:

(c) whether it is proposed to amend the Industrial Disputes Ac in the light thereof;

(d) whether the Government propose to discuss these changes with the State Labour/Industry Ministers and Trade Unions; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR: (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e). Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

**Basic Facilities in Unauthorised Colonies**

1356. DR. P.R. GANGWAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the facilities proposed to be provided by the Government to improve the living conditions in unauthorised colonies of Delhi; and

(b) the funds allocated for each Unauthorised colony during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Under the direction of the Delhi Admn., Delhi Eletrical supply undertaking and the Delhi Sewagce Disposal Undertaking are required to supply electricity and water respectively to unauthorised colonies which were in existence prior to 1.1. 1981 subject to fulfilment of certain formalities. The M.C.D. proposes to provide the following facilities for which development cost has to be paid in five equated installments by the beneficiaries. The first instalment has to be deposited before the work is undertaken in the area:

i) Brick pavement, earth filling.

ii) Sullage drains.